



Security Education and Risk - Protecting Your Business

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What to Expect from this Session



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I plan to make this so simple, I want you to be able to use something, a Gem to help you to protect your Business

“I’ve heard this before!” “Heard it ages ago and it hasn't happened to me” “I know it could happen, but I am way too busy, or I can't get the support, the money I need”

An idea or a strategy that will help protect you, your customers, your employees no matter what your role is.

Xero - What we are doing, why I think we have that “Gem”



Are we acting fast enough?



92% of Attacks are Phishing

More and more
sophisticated

Regular attacks

Look very very real

Cyber criminals
sending millions of
these

Designed to catch
just one of you

Ransomware - 10%

The Cyber criminal
taking full control of
all your Data

Multiple goals for the
criminals

- Financial
- Personal
Information
- Frustration

Impact of the Pandemic, War in the Ukraine

Increasing economic
challenges/
pressures

Cyber criminals
attack when people
are the most
vulnerable

Family members
impacted causing
unseen mental
health pressures



What can you do to stay safe?



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People

Process

Technology

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Be Prepared

Practice many different types of challenges

- Invest some time every month to work with your teams to see how you would react if a cyber event was to happen



Phishing Simulations

Test yourself and your teams on a regular basis with Phishing simulations

- There are some great Phishing Simulation services available
- Consider just practising on some emails you have in your inbox with your team



Business Continuity Planning/ Health Practices

Do you have a documented BCP? When did you last check?

- Is your Critical data backed up
- Is Multi Factor Authentication in place
- Do you use a Password Manager?



Identifying Risks

Share Vulnerability
examples



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Use Real Case Studies with your teams



We are all at risk no matter what our role, our experience



30 Seconds could save you from a lot of pain

Record the Risks - What makes you Vulnerable?



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Use your Practice, record the learning, consider reasons that could make you vulnerable?

How did people react in the table to exercise?

- Was there a natural leader?
- What was missing?
- Would you panic if it was real?



What would make people click on Phishing emails?

- Discuss the things people clicked
- Who's had phishing emails at home?
- Why wouldn't we talk about them?

How is your team feeling?

- Anyone showing signs of stress or being under pressure
- Know your people

What's the thing that you just have to have that would make
you act before thinking?



Risk Management

**Act - At Xero we have a
Process, a plan and
agreed standards**

**Preparation will reduce
your pain**

Visibility of the Risk

Ensure that your Risks
are clear

- Avoid abbreviations
- The title clearly states what the risk is

All parties impacted by
the risk must know that
it is there

- Get input from all parties on the treatment plan

Increased Visibility has
helped us to reduce the
risk

Ownership

The Risk Owner needs to
be the Accountable
Owner

There will be teams that
are responsible for
helping with controls
and mitigations

Agree the consequences
of agreed treatment
plans not being met

- Does it matter?
- Reward success
- Help each other with prioritization

Consistency and Action

Measure all risks using
the same Impact and
Likelihood and therefore
Consequence scale

The most critical risk will
be agreed by all

Ensure Treatment plans
are agreed within a
month of identifying the
risk

Some risks may be
accepted, have review
dates in place and stick
to the dates

Security Risks are Increasing

How do you scale?

How do we get the best for our
investment?

Creating Security Champions across Xero

We have established a Programme of work to enable our team members to become a Security Champion

- It is a part of their normal job, no matter where they work within Xero

Celebrating a Culture that embraces and supports Security

At Xero we talk about security, we take it seriously, we are proud of the work we do to maintain and build and grow a strong security posture

Embracing Security early enables us to ensure we have more chance of reducing our risks as just something we all do.

Security Champions and Culture Model

Security Ambassador

Chief and EGM GM level to represent all business areas. They have a strong voice for security and a high level of influence to their parts of the business.

Security Champions

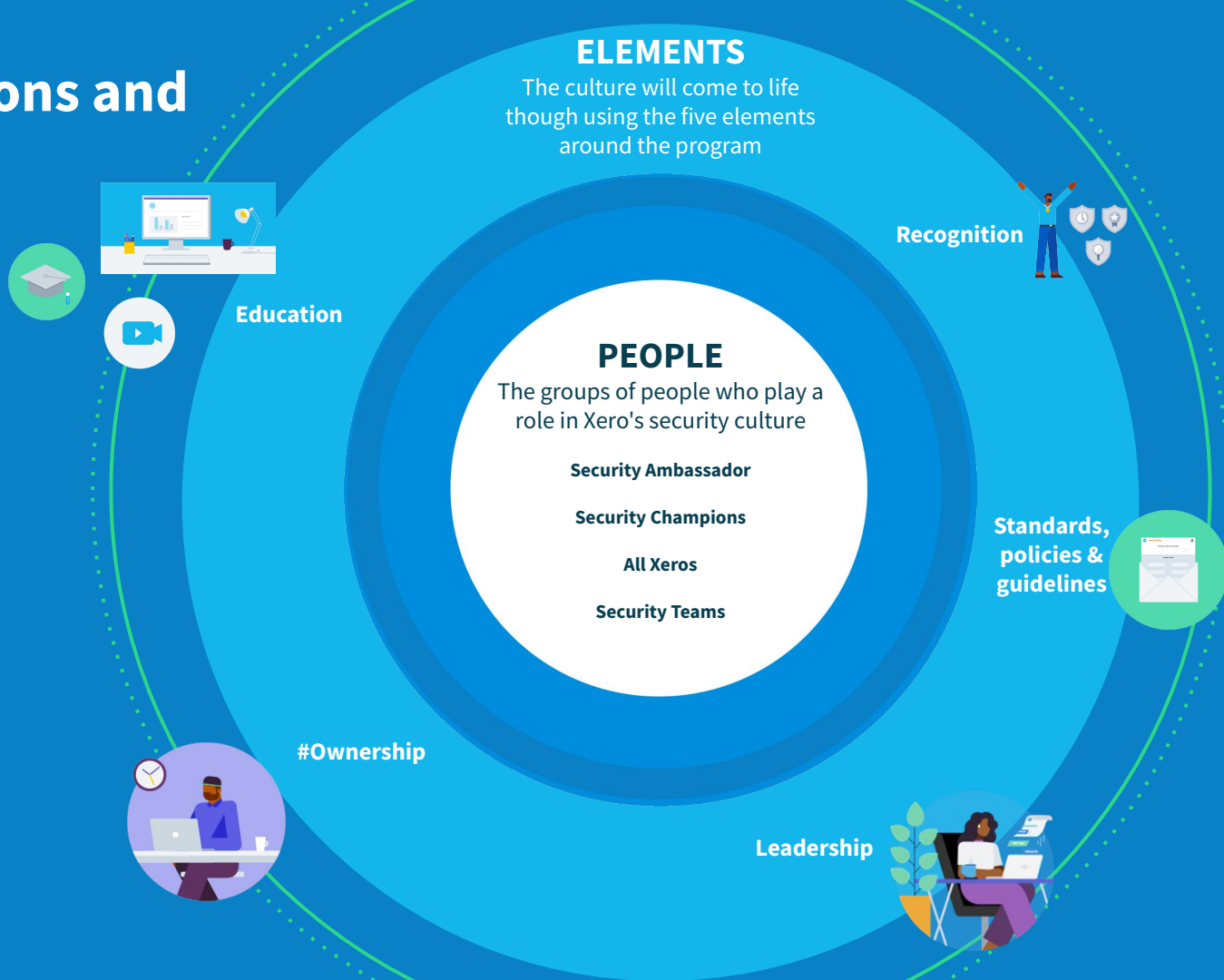
Being a conduit back and forward from their team to the Security Team and to better influence security in their team.

All Xeros

Everyone having a base understanding of security, better awareness and clear guidance on how to implement security in their job and role.

Security Teams

Supporting and enabling our champions and all Xeros.

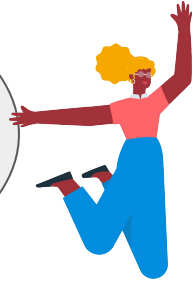




**Keep it Simple
Just do it**



**Take Action -
Practice/ Talk/
Learn**



**Solutions need
People, Processes
and Technology**



**Record the Risks
and have a Plan**



**Build a Positive
Security Culture**





Beautiful business